

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to clarify silicon oxide is not a resinous material. No new matter has been added.

The feature that "the silicon oxide film is formed by applying a liquid" as recited in new claim 38, for example, is supported on page 8, lines 13-15 of the specification. The corresponding sentence in the priority Japanese application states that a coating liquid may be used for forming a silicon oxide film in case of forming a silicon oxide film.

New claims 27-71 have been added.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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